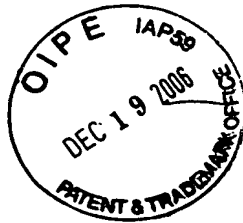


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FOR: FUEL CELL OUTPUT :
CHARACTERISTIC ESTIMATION
APPARATUS AND OUTPUT
CHARACTERISTIC ESTIMATION
METHOD, FUEL CELL SYSTEM AND
VEHICLE HAVING THE SAME, AND
FUEL CELL OUTPUT CONTROL
METHOD AND DATA STORAGE
MEDIUM

AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
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SIR:

In response to the Office Action, dated September 21, 2006, please amend the
above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page
2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.